(4) to be given a copy of the proceedings of the Taluk Board meeting.

Reply of Government.—(1) Not possible.

(2) & (3) Rule 39 of the rules under the Local Boards Regulation provides for this. It is a matter for each Local Board to arrange for a delegation of its powers to one or more of its members.

(4) The proceedings are always open to inspection by the members. This is sufficient.

SUBJECT No. 206.

Travelling allowances to Taluk Board members.

Mr. Linge Gowda, Patel of Nagavala, Mysore Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The taluk authorities say that only the actual travelling expenses will be paid to Taluk Board members instead of mileage rates as in the case of District Board members. It is prayed that Taluk Board members be shown the same concession.

Reply of Government.—This is allowed under the existing rules and orders.

SUBJECT No. 207.

Tax in Unions to be collected along with the Revenue khists.

Mr. Hutchveere Gowda, Gubbi Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—According to the present practice, the tax in Unions is collected in June and December of every year. This is inconvenient to raiyats. The tax may therefore be collected with the Land Revenue khists.

Reply of Government.—The present rule needs no modification.

SUBJECT No. 208.

Fixed allotment of funds for Taluk Boards.

Mr. V. Raghavachar, Advocate, Nanjangud Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that fixed amounts be placed at the disposal of the Taluk Boards every year for the works to be carried out by them.

Reply of Government.—After the budget is sanctioned by Government, intimation is generally given to the Taluk Boards of the amount allotted for works in each taluk. The existing rules require no modification.

SUBJECT No. 209.

The appointment of an Engineer for each district to supervise District Fund and Municipal works.

Messrs. Sondekoppada Dasappa, and Subbanna, Bangalore District Board members.

Summary of discussion.—At present the works carried out by the District Funds are partly done by the Public Works Department and partly by the taluk authorities without mutual knowledge and co-operation of each other. If an Engineer is appointed for each district to supervise these and Municipal works, all such works will be conducted promptly and satisfactorily.

Reply of Government.—The system was once in force but was given up. The present system is found to work better. Work Inspectors, if qualified and capable, will suffice. Steps are being taken to appoint qualified men.

SUBJECT No. 210.

Appointment of Work Inspectors for each taluk.

Mr. Nanje Gowda, Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—As the practice at present prevails, one Work Inspector is appointed to be in charge of more than one taluk, and consequently the Local Fund Works are not properly done in any particular place and

urgent works are not attended to in time. Although there are Tank Inspectors in every taluk, they are in charge of only Marahamat works and are not authorized to supervise other works. It is therefore requested that one Work Inspector for each taluk may be appointed and put in charge of all Marahamat, Local Fund and Municipal works.

Reply of Government.—Work Inspectors were appointed according to the requirements of each place, and it seems unnecessary to appoint a Work Inspector for each taluk irrespective of the amount of work available for him. The question of retaining the present Work Inspectors in addition to Sanitary Inspectors is under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 211.

The maintenance of District Fund roads to be met from Provincial Funds.

Messrs. Sondekoppada Dasappa and Subbanna, District Board, Bangalore.

Summary of discussion.—The present collections of District Fund are spent away in the repair of District Fund roads, and no savings are available for taking up new projects such as new roads, wells, musafirkhanas, etc. If the cost of maintenance of the roads once repaired is met from the Provincial Funds, the saving may be utilized for opening new roads, etc.

Reply of Government.—If District Funds are insufficient to maintain the roads in proper condition, the question of levying tolls may be considered.

SUBJECT No. 212.

Allotment for village roads.

Messrs. C. Nagappa and Aramane Koppa Ramappa, Nagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In Malnad taluks, villagers find it very difficult to convey their produce to markets owing to the want of good roads. It is therefore requested that a larger sum may be allotted for this purpose from District Funds.

Reply of Government.—It is not possible to meet the cost from Provincial Funds. The difficulty is no doubt greater in the malnad than elsewhere. The District Boards will be asked to pay attention to this matter. Individual cases may be discussed by the District Boards.

SUBJECT No. 213.

Opening of roads in villages.

Mr. Shanthog Timmanna, Davangere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Roads may be opened out in villages containing more than one hundred houses.

Reply of Government.—Noted. Question of funds.

SUBJECT No. 214.

The opening of inter-village roads.

Messrs. Appaji Gowda, Nelamangala Taluk, and Chikmallappa, Gundlupet Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—There are no roads connecting villages and communication between them becomes difficult in rainy and cultivation seasons. Arrangements may be made for the opening of such roads, the raiyats of each village being held responsible to make the roads within the boundary of their respective villages.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 215.

Water-supply for villages.

Mr V. Raghavachar, Nanjangud Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In many villages where there is only dry cultivation, people experience much difficulty for want of good drinking water. It is prayed therefore